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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, RF, SA

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN POLICEMAN KILLED IN RHODESIA

1. SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE AND RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES ANNOUNCED OCTOBER 4 THAT SOUTH AFRICAN CONSTABLE RUBEN OTTO WAS KILLED OCTOBER 3 IN LANDMINE BLAST WHILE ON BORDER DUTY IN RHODESIA. RHODESIAN COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT FOUR OTHER SA POLICEMEN INJURED, ONE SERIOUSLY, IN SAME INCIDENT. LOCATION NOT DISCLOSED.

2. OTTO IS FOURTH SA POLICEMAN KILLED IN RHODESIA THIS YEAR. SIXTEEN RHODESIAN SERVICEMEN HAVE ALSO BEEN REPORTED KILLED.

3. IN SAME COMMUNIQUE RHODESIAN SECURITY FORCES ANNOUNCED SEPTEMBER 30 MURDER OF AFRICAN SCHOOL HEAD-MASTER BY QUERRILLAS. COMMUNIQUE CENSURED BRITISH LABOR PARTY LEADER HAROLD WILSON FOR HIS RECENT CALL FOR SUPPORT FOR SOUTHERN AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS STATING: "IT IS NECESSARY TO REMIND MR. WILSON THAT SINCE DECEMBER 1972, 34 CIVILIANS HAVE BEEN MURDERED UNCLASSIFIED

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BY TERRORISTS IN RHODESIA."

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